

Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

1:00-1:50 pm Boston Time

Kresge 606

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AGENDA

1:00 – 1:05pm

Welcome – Nancy Krieger

- Introductions
- Purpose of meeting: review current WGH activities & plan new ones!

1:05 – 1:35pm

Events Committee – Kieran Todd and Laura Chen

- Spring Event Planning
 - Spring Social in January at Museum of Fine Arts (MFA)
 - Thursday, February 1st, 5:30 - 7:00 PM
 - Attendees: 20
 - Spring intersectionality event series
 - International Women's Day Luncheon
 - Friday, March 8, 2023, 1-1:50 pm Boston Time.
 - Kresge G2
 - Speaker: [Dr. Lisa Bowleg](#)
 - WGH dinner with Professor Bowleg (Thurs, March 7, MFA)
 - WGH faculty + staff with Dr. Bowleg
 - 3 faculty
 - 2 staff
 - Meetings with WGH faculty, students, and postdocs on March 7 and 8
 - Current signups: 1 faculty, 1 postdoc, 3 students
 - Review co-sponsorships and extend dinner/meeting invites?
 - List of accepted co-sponsorships
 - Harvard SOGIE
 - Harvard Gender and Sexuality Caucus
 - HSPH Office for Student Affairs
 - FXB Center for Health and Human Rights
 - HGSU
 - Harvard Chan Student Organization for Sexual & Reproductive Health
 - Intersex and Trans Justice Student Society (ITJSS)
 - SEIU New England 615
 - Harvard Union of Clerical and Technical Workers
 - Proposed events for February, April, and May
 - February: Love and family in a time of intersectionality
 - Student Lead: Thanh Mai Bercher
 - Date: TBA
 - update from Thanh Mai on date, title, and description

End of February (Virtual)

Intergenerational Relations and Health

Theda NewBreast: auntie/elder of mine, works on sexual trauma/open conversations in community; humor with elders, reality of what our care looks like
Benefit to Chan: specific leadership + decades of experience merging community needs with state-funded/exclusionary programs; changing the conversation on MMIWR; reaching young people/families affected by abuse/seeking support outside of the church or other Western structures

- Available via Zoom, any day during the last week of February
- Estimate from the Native Wellness Institute: \$715

Thursday, March 21, 1:00-2:00pm (Chan)

Centering Voices: Two-Spirit Health and Social Work

Lenny Hayes: social worker, MMIWR advocate; head of the first national 2S org
Benefit to Chan: amazing future practicum opportunity; active work across Native country; going to be featured in a lot more literature/recognition and awareness building on the MMIWR epidemic; can speak to gender/care/the state, sensitivity, showing up as one's self

- Available to travel from Minneapolis -> Boston
- Is part of the support needed for bringing Beverly

Thursday, March 21, 4:30-6:30pm (Cambridge campus)

Across Generations: Two-Spirit Leadership, Health, and Healing

Beverly LittleThunder: renowned community elder, helped coin the term Two-Spirit; worked as a nurse throughout Native country, shunned, worked all through the AIDS epidemic in NYC (racism within LGBTQ+ community, coming back around to hold all of her identities in her work today)
Benefit to Harvard: a living library; represents many of the intersections that are received as separate here; can speak to movement longevity alongside tensions (between generations, tradition, genders)

- Available to travel from Burlington Vermont -> Boston
- Will not accept an honorarium; if offered, she would make a donation to her local land space

- April: Climate and health + intersectionality
 - Speaker TBA
 - Need to identify and secure a new speaker for this event
 - Date: TBA
- May: Olympics + inclusion of trans/nonbinary athletes in sports
 - Date: TBD
 - Student leads: Nepantla Canizzo and Ann Caroline Danielsen
 - Discuss event proposal and logistics

1:35 – 1:40 pm

Curriculum Committee – Liz Boskey

- Conference Stipends
 - Application deadline April 29, 2024
 - 1 application received
- Courses
 - Winter term:
 - WGH 250 Embodying Gender: Public Health, Biology, & the Body Politic (N. Krieger)
 - 4 enrolled
 - Full Spring:
 - WGH 300 Independent Study (arrangements must be made with individual faculty members)
 - Spring 1 term:
 - WGH 210 Women, Gender, and Health: Critical Issues in Mental Health (L. Boskey) *[note: for Spring 2025, will need to be 100% in-person – and will need to see if Liz can do this, or if we need to find a new instructor]*
 - 25 enrolled, 3 waitlisted
 - WGH 220 Sexuality and Public Health (B. Austin)
 - 14 enrolled
 - Spring 2 term:
 - WGH 207 Adv Topics in Women, Gender, and Health (S. Katz-Wise)
 - 11 enrolled, 1 waitlisted
- Reminder of enrollment open dates and deadlines to register for spring courses:
 - Deadline for Spring and Spring 1 term is February 1, 2024
 - Deadline for Spring 2 is March 28, 2024

1:40-1:45

Take Action Tuesday – Sophie Hathaway and Laura Chen

- Weekly Actions are included in the weekly newsletter and every Tuesday at a table in Kresge Cafeteria
 - Latest Actions:
 - WIC and family nutrition in Congressional budget
 - FreeHer Valentine's day rally
 - Upcoming Actions (& brainstorm for new ideas)

1:45 – 1:50pm

Wrap up and Questions – Nancy Krieger

- Reminder: Spring 2024 monthly Working Group Meetings
 - Select Wednesday's of each month (*unless otherwise noted*), 1-1:50pm Boston Time, in-person and Zoom
 - Wednesday, March 6, 2024 (Kresge 606)
 - Wednesday April 3, 2024 (Kresge 606)
 - Wednesday, May 8, 2024 (Kresge 606)
 - ALSO: in early Spring will set the date of our June planning meeting

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For a brief flyer about what WGH is, all the courses offered, and how to complete the concentration, see our [new info sheet!](#)